CLAIMS

1. A quadrature modulation apparatus comprising:

an in-phase signal converting means that outputs an in-phase conversion signal by mixing an in-phase local signal of a predetermined local frequency with an in-phase correction user signal obtained by adding an in-phase user signal to an in-phase correction signal of a sinusoidal voltage;

a quadrature signal converting means that outputs a quadrature conversion signal by mixing a quadrature local signal which is different in phase by 90 degrees from the in-phase local signal, with a quadrature correction user signal obtained by adding a quadrature user signal to a quadrature correction signal, which is different in phase by 90 degrees from the in-phase correction signal;

an adding means that adds the in-phase conversion signal to the quadrature conversion signal;

an output voltage measuring means that measures an output voltage of said adding means; and

an error determining means that determines an error of the quadrature modulation based upon the measurement result of said output voltage measuring means.

- 2. The quadrature modulation apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said error determining means measures the error of the quadrature modulation based upon a relationship of the output voltage of said adding means with respect to the phase of the in-phase correction signal or the quadrature correction signal.
- 3. The quadrature modulation apparatus according to claim 1, wherein

said error determining means determines an error relating to an amplitude, an orthogonality, and an offset of the in-phase user signal and the quadrature user signal.

4. A quadrature modulation apparatus comprising:

a signal converting means that outputs a conversion signal by mixing a local signal of a predetermined local frequency with an offset user signal obtained by adding a DC voltage signal to a user signal;

an output voltage measuring means that measures a voltage of the conversion signal; and

an optimum voltage deciding means that decides an optimum voltage such that the voltage measured by said output voltage measuring means is minimum.

5. A quadrature modulation method comprising:

an in-phase signal converting step of outputting an in-phase conversion signal by mixing an in-phase local signal of a predetermined local frequency with an in-phase correction user signal obtained by adding an in-phase user signal to an in-phase correction signal of a sinusoidal voltage;

a quadrature signal converting step of outputting a quadrature conversion signal by mixing a quadrature local signal which is different in phase by 90 degrees from the in-phase local signal, with a quadrature correction user signal obtained by adding a quadrature user signal to a quadrature correction signal, which is different in phase by 90 degrees from the in-phase correction signal;

an adding step of adding the in-phase conversion signal to the quadrature conversion signal;

an output voltage measuring step of measuring an output voltage of

said adding step; and

an error determining step of determining an error of the quadrature modulation based upon the measurement result of said output voltage measuring step.

6. A quadrature modulation method comprising:

a signal converting step of outputting a conversion signal by mixing a local signal of a predetermined local frequency with an offset user signal obtained by adding a DC voltage signal to a user signal;

an output voltage measuring step of measuring a voltage of the conversion signal; and

an optimum voltage deciding step of deciding an optimum voltage such that the voltage measured by said output voltage measuring step is minimum.

7. A program of instructions for execution by the computer to perform a processing of a quadrature modulation apparatus including: an in-phase signal converting means that outputs an in-phase conversion signal by mixing an in-phase local signal of a predetermined local frequency with an in-phase correction user signal obtained by adding an in-phase user signal to an in-phase correction signal of a sinusoidal voltage; a quadrature signal converting means that outputs a quadrature conversion signal by mixing a quadrature local signal which is different in phase by 90 degrees from the in-phase local signal, with a quadrature correction user signal obtained by adding a quadrature user signal to a quadrature correction signal, which is different in phase by 90 degrees from the in-phase correction signal; an adding means that adds the in-phase conversion signal to the quadrature conversion signal; and an output voltage measuring means that measures an

output voltage of said adding means, said processing comprising:

an error determining step of determining an error of the quadrature modulation based upon the measurement result of said output voltage measuring means.

8. A program of instructions for execution by the computer to perform a processing of a quadrature modulation apparatus including: a signal converting means that outputs a conversion signal by mixing a local signal of a predetermined local frequency with an offset user signal obtained by adding a DC voltage signal to a user signal; and an output voltage measuring means that measures a voltage of the conversion signal, said processing comprising:

an optimum voltage deciding step of deciding an optimum voltage such that the voltage measured by said output voltage measuring means is minimum.

9. A computer-readable medium having a program of instructions for execution by the computer to perform a processing of a quadrature modulation apparatus including: an in-phase signal converting means that outputs an in-phase conversion signal by mixing an in-phase local signal of a predetermined local frequency with an in-phase correction user signal obtained by adding an in-phase user signal to an in-phase correction signal of a sinusoidal voltage; a quadrature signal converting means that outputs a quadrature conversion signal by mixing a quadrature local signal which is different in phase by 90 degrees from the in-phase local signal, with a quadrature correction user signal obtained by adding a quadrature user signal to a quadrature correction signal, which is different in phase by 90 degrees from the in-phase correction signal; an adding means that adds the

in-phase conversion signal to the quadrature conversion signal; and an output voltage measuring means that measures an output voltage of said adding means, said processing comprising:

an error determining step of determining an error of the quadrature modulation based upon the measurement result of said output voltage measuring means.

10. A computer-readable medium having a program of instructions for execution by the computer to perform a processing of a quadrature modulation apparatus including: a signal converting means that outputs a conversion signal by mixing a local signal of a predetermined local frequency with an offset user signal obtained by adding a DC voltage signal to a user signal; and an output voltage measuring means that measures a voltage of the conversion signal, said processing comprising:

an optimum voltage deciding step of deciding an optimum voltage such that the voltage measured by said output voltage measuring means is minimum.